

Since claims 1 and 7 of the applicant are not anticipated by Eskelinens as shown above the claims are allowable and all dependent claims are therefore also allowable.

In order to help distinguish the applicant's claims from the Eskelinens reference the applicant has amended claim 1 to show that the frame of the conveyor is straight and not jointed as the frame of the Eskelinens scraper is.

The applicant believes that the claims are now in a condition of allowance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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